



**FEDERAL ELECTION COMMISSION**  
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20463

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**RE: MUR 5549**  
**Stephen Adams**

**Dear Mr. Kappel:**

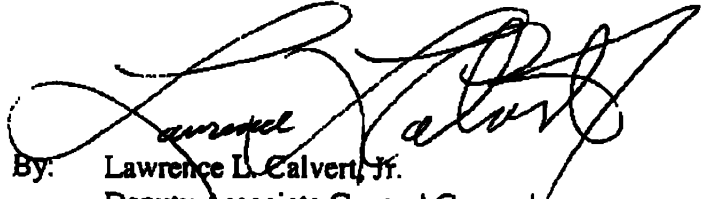
**On November 8, 2006, the Federal Election Commission found that there is probable cause to believe your client, Stephen Adams, violated 2 U.S.C. §§ 434(g)(2)(A) and 441d(a)(3), provisions of the Federal Election Campaign Act of 1971, as amended, in connection with his failure to file timely a 48-Hour Notice of Independent Expenditure ("notice violation") and failure to post proper disclaimers on billboards ("disclaimer violation") concerning his advertising campaign advocating the re-election of President Bush in 2004.**

**The Commission has a duty to attempt to correct such violations for a period of at least 30 days and no more than 90 days by informal methods of conference, conciliation, and persuasion, and by entering into a conciliation agreement with a respondent. If we are unable to reach an agreement after 30 days, the Commission may institute a civil suit in United States District Court and seek payment of a civil penalty.**

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Sincerely,

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Deputy Associate General Counsel  
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